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DATED JUNE 14.

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TAGS: ILO, PORG, CI, PLO  
SUBJECT: ILO CONFERENCE: CHILE RESOLUTION

REF: GENEVA 4492

1. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE IN MEETING JUNE 13 QUICKLY DISPOSED  
OF AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTION ON CHILE SUBMITTED BY A NUMBER  
OF EMPLOYER MEMBERS (REFTEL). THESE AMENDMENTS, WHICH  
WOULD HAVE SOFTENED SUBSTANTIALLY ORIGINAL RESOLUTION, WERE  
STRONGLY OPPOSED BY WORKERS GROUP, AND FOUND NO SUPPORT  
AMONG GOVERNMENT MEMBERS. FACING THIS SITUATION,  
THE EMPLOYER MEMBERS WITHDREW THE AMENDMENTS.

2. OPPOSITION TO EMPLOYER AMENDMENTS BY GOVERNMENT  
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REPRESENTATIVES BASED LARGELY ON ARGUMENT THAT THE  
RESOLUTION UNDERSCORED THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION IN

CHILA REGARDING TRADE UNION AND HUMAN RIGHTS AS REVEALED IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION, AND EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO KEEP PRESSURE ON THE GOVERNMENT OF CHILA TO MOVE QUICKLY TO SATISFY THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION REPORT. THE REPRESENTATIVES OF FRANCE, THE NORDIC COUNTRIES AND BELGIUM WERE PARTICULARLY ACTIVE IN THE DEBATE, ARGUING THAT NO AMENDMENTS SHOULD BE ADOPTED WHICH WOULD WATER DOWN THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION. LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE GENERAL DEBATE.

3. DUE TO GENERAL LACK OF INTEREST IN A LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER, AND THE DESIRE OF THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY TO VOTE ON THA RESOLUTION (THERE BEING NO OTHER AMENDMENTS), THE CHAIRMAN PROCEEDED TO PUT THE RESOLUTION TO A VOTE BY SHOW OF HANDS. UP TO THIS POINT IT WAS GENERALLY ASSUMED THAT THA RE OLUTION WOULD BE EASILY ADOPTED, IN VIEW OF THE LACK OF SUPPORT FOR THA EMPLOYER AMENDMENTS AND THAT ALL GOVERNMENT AND WORKER REPRESENTATIVES TAKING PART IN THE DEBATE HAD SUPPORTED THE RESOLUTION. HOWEVER, IT HAD GONE UNNOTICAD THAT WORKER REPRESENTATIVES HAD BEEN SLIPPING AWAY; THE GOVERNMENT 3,;#3 2343 -) 9 &3558,& 5#8,. WHEN THE VOTE WAS COUNTED, IT WAS DISCOVERED TO THE HORROR OK THE WORKERS THAT THE RESOLUTION HAD NOT BEEN ADOPTED FOR LACK OF QUORUM. THE VOTE (WEIGHTED) WAS 85,043 IN FAVOR, 4,705 AGAINST, AND 45,601 ABSTENTIONS. SLIGHTLY MORA THAN HALF OF THE COMMITTAE MEMBERS WERE PRESENT WHEN THE VOTE WAS TAKEN, AND IT WOULD HAVE REQUIRED THA VOTAS OF ONLY FOUR MORE WORKER REPRESENTATIVES FOR A QUORUM TO HAVE BEEN REACHED.

4. A MOTION WAS MADE FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE, BUT A PROCEDURAL WRANGLE DEVELOPED ON THE QUESTION AS TO WHETHER THE ROLL CALL VOTE SHOULD PROCEED IMMEDIATELY OR COULD BE PUT OFF UNTIL THA NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE. UNABLE TO REACH AN AGREEMENT ON THIS QUESTION, THE CHAIRMAN ABRUPTLY ADJOURNED THE MEETING. THIS MEANS THAT THE ROLL CALL VOTE WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE RESOLUTION AS ORIGINALLY DRAFTED AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTAE ON MONDAY, JUNE 16.

5. FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH LA DELEGATIONS PRESENT  
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(ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE AND COLOMBIA) US GOVERNMENT  
RAPRESENTAIVE ABSTAINED AS DID THE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES  
OF THESE FOUR COUNTRIES ON THE VOTE BY SHOW OF HANDS.

6. IN DISCUSSING MATTER WITH CHILEAN DELEGATION, US GOVERNMENT  
REP TOOK OCCASION TO REQUEST EXPLANATION OF CHILEAN GOVERNMENT  
REPRESENTATIVES VOTE ON PLO ISSUE (GOVT. REPS VOTED  
CONUISTENTLY IN FAVOR OF GRANTING OBSERVER STATUS TO PLO).  
CHILEAN REP STATED HE WOULD REQUEST AND PROVIDE US REP WITH  
HIS GOVERNMENT'S VIEW ON THIS QUESTION.

7. DEPT. WILL REMEMBER THAT USDEL WENT TO GREAT LENGTH TO BE OK ASSISTANCE TO CHILEAN GOVT. DURING 1974 ILO CONFERENCE. IN VIAW CHILEAN GOVT. VOTE ON AN ISSUE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE US DURING THIS CONFERENCE--THE GRANTING OF OBSERVER STATUS TO THE PLO--AND THE SOLID SUPPORT OF WE'S FOR THE RESOLUTION ON CHILA, DEPT. MAY WISH TO CONUIER WHETHER USDEL SHOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF RESOLUTION IN RECORD VOTE IN COMMITTEE AND IN PLENARY SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE. IT ALSO SHOULD BE NOTED THAT IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH US REP SOME WE REPS WHO VOTED WITH US ON PLO ISSUE HAVE URGED THAT THE US VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE RESOLUTION AS A CLEAR INDICATION OF US CONSISTENCY IN SUPPORTING THE CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS REGARDLESS OF WHERE VIOLATIONS OCCUR. ON THE OTHER HAND, USDEL ALSO

APPRECIATES THAT CHILEAN POSTURE ON PLO ISSUE WAS RELATED TO ITS EFFORTS TO GAIN SOME SUPPORT FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THE TEXT OF THE CHILEAN RESOLUTION WHICH CONFORMED MORE CLOSELY WITH THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REPORT OF THE FACT FINDING AND CONCILIATION COMMISSION AND THE TERMS OF THE MAY 1975 GOVERNING BODY DECISION ON THAT REPORT. USDEL BELIEVES THIS FACTOR SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED IN RELATION TO A DECISION ON THE VOTING POSITION USDEL SHOULD TAKE IN COMMITTEE AND PLENARY SITTINGS ON THE UNAMENDED CHILEAN RESOLUTION.

8. INSTRUCTIONS REQUESTED AT LATEST AT LATEST BY 8:00 AM GENEVA TIME ON MONJAY, JUNE 16 IN VIEW 9:30 AM MEETING WITH CHILEAN DELEGATION AND 10:00 AM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE VOTE ON THAT  
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